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Mr. Robert E. Simpson, Director Office of International Regional Economics Bureau of International Commerce U.S. Department of Commerce Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Bob.

We have not yet received your progress report for February but the status of production shown in the January report causes considerable concern. As near as I can determine you will end up this year the same as you did in FY63, with three Sections paid for but not delivered. I realize that one of the FY63 holdovers was caused by a change in the coverage (creation of Malaysia).

Can you tell me what the prospects may be for the remainder of this fiscal year?

Since rely,

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